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FUNDS FOR BIOMASS PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has stopped releasing loans under Bio-Mass Projects in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any loan for such projects have been denied; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI M. KANNAPPAN)

(a)&(b): When the number of biomass power projects approved in Andhra Pradesh became quite large, Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency (IREDA) were asked to put on hold loans for further projects in the State.

(c)&(d): IREDA have registered one biomass cogeneration project received from the State of Andhra Pradesh in July, 2001, based on the eligibility norms, and the same is yet to be sanctioned. No eligible biomass project is denied loan by IREDA in the State of Andhra Pradesh.